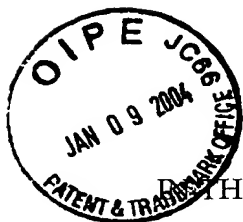


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In response to the Office Action mailed on October 6, 2003, Applicants request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the accompanying remarks. Applicants believe that no fees are required with this response. If any fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the same to the deposit account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to our matter 3220-68450.